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### Tri-City Healthcare District Partners with Surgical Care Affiliates

Oceanside, CA - Surgical Care Affiliates (SCA), one of the country's largest providers of specialty surgical services, announced today it has entered into a formal agreement to partner with the Tri-City Healthcare District (TCHD) at its North Coast Surgery Center (NCSC). The TCHD Board of Directors unanimously approved to acquire an interest in the center and the deal was completed on April 1. NCSC is an ambulatory surgery center adjacent to Tri-City Medical Center's campus on Waring Road in Oceanside.

"This investment by the TCHD Board of Directors is a win-win for everyone," said Larry Anderson, CEO of Tri-City Medical Center. "Patients will benefit from the efficiencies inherent in a dedicated outpatient surgery center, like the ease of registration and admission processes, and predictable surgery scheduling. This allows our state-of-the-art surgical suites at the hospital to be dedicated to complicated, time-consuming, inpatient procedures. We can now truly become a hub for high-tech and unique surgeries."

Currently, the hospital's operating rooms handle both inpatient and outpatient surgeries, although inpatient cases are often more complex and result in unpredictable lengths of surgery, affecting surgeries scheduled after them. NCSC has the advantage of being able to schedule predictable, outpatient surgery cases back-to-back, resulting in efficiencies – the physician can take care of more patients and the patient and family have surgery times that are more definite.

“We are very pleased to be working with Tri-City Healthcare District, a system with an outstanding reputation as a healthcare provider,” said Andrew Hayek, Chief Executive Officer of SCA. “Their leadership recognizes the need for a high-quality, cost effective, outpatient surgical facility, and we will be able to jointly meet that need.”

“I am glad that now more patients in the Tri-City community will have access to the high-quality outpatient care that North Coast Surgery Center has been offering for years,” said Dr. Marc Lebovits, ENT, who practices at both Tri-City Medical Center and NCSC.

North Coast Surgery Center has four operating rooms, over fifty board-certified and board-eligible physicians and specializes in same-day surgery for multiple specialties. North Coast Surgery Center is accredited by the Joint Commission Ambulatory Health Care Accreditation Program, the State of California, and Federal Medicare Programs.

**About Tri-City Healthcare District:**

Tri-City Medical Center is administered by the Tri-City Healthcare District. Founded in 1957 to serve the healthcare needs of coastal North San Diego County the district includes most of Carlsbad, Oceanside and Vista.

Tri-City Medical Center is a full-service, acute care hospital with over 500 physicians practicing in 60 specialties. For more information about Tri-City Medical Center, please visit [www.tricitymed.org](http://www.tricitymed.org)

**About Surgical Care Affiliates:**

Surgical Care Affiliates is committed to being the partner of choice for physicians, hospitals, and health systems in delivering high-quality surgical services. SCA’s centers operate with outstanding clinical outcomes and patient satisfaction. SCA operates 126 ambulatory surgery centers and surgical hospitals across the country with approximately 3,700 full-time teammates and approximately 2,000 physician partners. For more information about SCA, visit [www.scasurgery.com](http://www.scasurgery.com).

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